

🇬🇧 BREXIT – KEY DATES, EVENTS & PRIME MINISTERS

Date	Key event	PM / Gov.
23 June 2016	🗳️ Brexit referendum – 51.9% vote to Leave the EU.	David Cameron – Conservative
13 July 2016	🔄 David Cameron resigns and Theresa May becomes Prime Minister .	Theresa May – Conservative
29 March 2017	📖 Article 50 is triggered – the UK officially begins the process of leaving the EU.	
8 June 2017	🗳️ General election – the Conservatives lose their overall majority and form a government with support from the DUP.	
2017–2019	🤝 Brexit negotiations between the UK and the EU.	
15 January 2019	❌ MPs reject Theresa May's Withdrawal Agreement for the first time.	
24 July 2019	🔄 Boris Johnson becomes Prime Minister , replacing Theresa May.	Boris Johnson – Conservative
12 December 2019	🗳️ General election – the Conservatives win a large parliamentary majority.	
23 January 2020	👉 Parliament approves the legislation implementing the Withdrawal Agreement .	
31 January 2020	📖 The UK officially leaves the EU and enters a transition period .	
24 December 2020	🤝 The UK and EU agree on the Trade and Cooperation Agreement .	
31 December 2020	🕒 The transition period ends – the UK leaves the EU single market and customs union .	
1 January 2021	🇬🇧 Brexit fully takes effect – new rules apply to trade, travel and immigration.	

🔑 KEY VOCABULARY

- **to leave the EU** → quitter l'UE
- **to remain** → rester
- **referendum** → référendum
- **to trigger Article 50** → déclencher l'article 50
- **to negotiate** → négocier

- **withdrawal agreement** → accord de retrait
- **transition period** → période de transition
- **single market** → marché unique
- **customs union** → union douanière
- **to take effect** → entrer en vigueur

💡 REMEMBER

2016 → Vote 🗳️

2017 → Article 50 📖

2020 → Brexit officially happens 📖

2021 → Brexit fully takes effect 🇬🇧